



# Newling News

Quality Education in a Caring Environment

Term 2 Week 2

## WHAT'S HAPPENING!

- **Book Fair– Monday 6th May to Friday 10th May**
- **Kindy Thalgarrah Excursion– Thursday 9th May**
- **Mother's Day Breakfast– Friday 10th May**
- **Gathering hosted by 5M– Friday 10th May at 9.15am**
- **Yr 6 Leadership Presentation- Friday 10th May at 9.15am**
- **Dental Clinic Visit– Monday 10th and Tuesday 11th June**

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# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents and Carers

Everyone has returned from the holidays rejuvenated. Our staff development day welcomed over 100 staff from other Armidale schools. They were most impressed with our facilities, in particular with lots of options for children in the playground. Our staff development days were addressing areas including curriculum implementation around literacy and numeracy, as well as how to adjust curriculum for students with learning difficulties. A special thanks to Jemma Mulligan and Danou Killeen-Cullen and his chefs from 'The Cottage' who donated their facilities and services to the P&C to cater for the day. This has delivered some much needed funds to the P&C as a result.

Our staff development day also offered an opportunity for our breakfast club volunteers to complete their Safe Food Handling training. This allows us to ensure our food is safe for consumption for all students. It also served as a timely reminder about the importance of good nutrition. Healthy fuel for a healthy mind and body are essential to being a good learner.

Congratulations and thank you to those students and families who attended the ANZAC memorial service during the holidays. Your sacrifice of time, to remember our fallen soldiers and pay respects to those who have fought in wars is greatly appreciated.

On Wednesday, some Stage 3 students attended a debating workshop with students from all over the Armidale area. They learnt how to construct arguments, use their voices persuasively and to think critically about a variety of topics. I am certain they have taken lots of new and useful ideas out of these workshops.

Staff will be renewing our focus on improved student attendance this term, with contact being made to find out why students are away from school. Please remember it is a legal requirement for children to be at school unless sick or on Principal approved leave. You can save time by reporting absences via the Sentral App or by phoning the school when your child is away.

With lots on, please keep an eye on our Sentral App to know what is happening in and around the school. We hope to see you this Friday morning at our Mothers Day BBQ. Its a great opportunity to say thank you to the most treasured people in our lives!

Have a great week.

Stephen Gadd

Principal

# Kindy Koalas Class News

Welcome back to term 2. It's great to see everyone back and ready to learn. We had some much fun playing in the autumn leaves on the first day back. For the first 3 weeks of Term we have a prac teacher Miss Acton working with us.

Things to remember:

**Thursday 9th May** we are off to Thalgarrah Environmental Learning Centre. We are looking forward to catching the bus there and all the fun we will have.

**Library is on Wednesday** with Mrs Knuckey please remember to bring a bag to borrow some books each week.

**Week 8 Kinder Koalas are hosting gathering!**

This term the Koalas are learning about the Weather and we have started our very own Newling News. Each day we are announcing to the school who we are and what the weather is like. So far the students have enjoyed wearing the special 'News Jacket' and practicing talking into the microphone. We have lots of exciting experiments planned for this term like, cooking smores in a pizza oven, rain in a jar and the water cycle. We are also excited to make some craft around the weather and can't wait to show you all.

During PDHPE we are learning how to keep ourselves safe and we learnt how to cross the road safely. We practiced crossing the road and had to remember to Stop, Look, Listen before we crossed the road. We also need to hold a big persons hand. Please help us practice this skill.

We look forward to the rest of the term, if you have any questions please come see me.

Mrs Waters



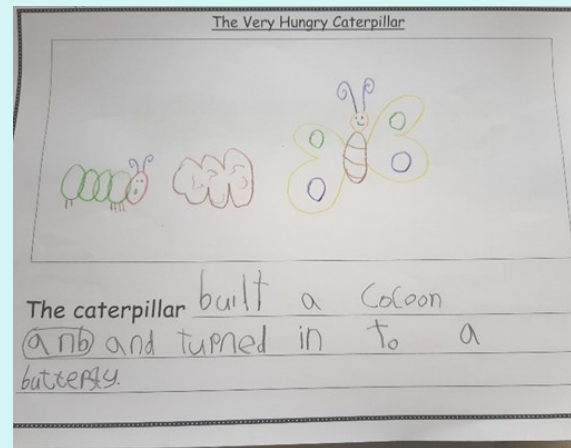
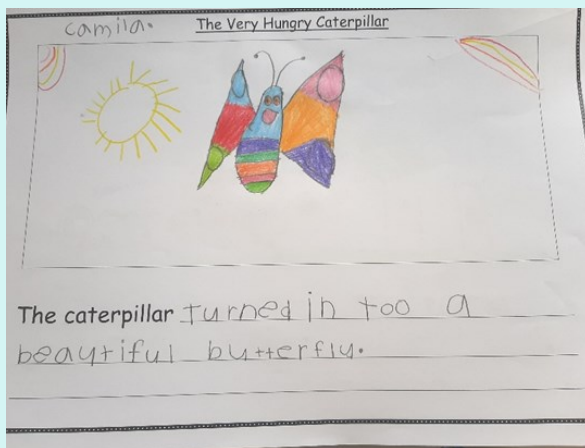


# K/1 Bunnies Class News

The K/1 Bunnies have returned to school keen to keep building on their learning so far this year. All students have made learning and personal goals to focus on this term and some students are well on their way to achieving them.

Last week the class started a literacy unit about bugs. They are very excited to be attending an excursion to Thalgarrah Environmental Education Centre on Thursday 9th May. On this excursion, they will be continuing their study about bugs and their needs. They will also be spending some time in the nature play area where they will explore the area and interact with others to create games and activities. Please ensure your child has a packed recess, lunch and a drink bottle for the excursion. A jumper or jacket will also allow for the changeable weather we are experiencing.

The class have been learning about verbs and have been using verbs in their sentence writing. In Visual Arts lessons, the students have been learning how to draw butterflies. The students are so proud of the art they have been producing this year and we would like to invite our families and friends to take a look in the 'Kindergarten art gallery' (the corridor to the canteen) when you are next visiting Newling. It is amazing to see the development of skills through art in the early years.



The students are excited to be exploring some new instruments in Music lessons this term with Mrs Spillane. Last week they played the boomwhackers and they are looking forward to learning to play the marimbas later in the term.



# SCHOOL NOTICES

Families are invited to attend our Mother's Day breakfast run by P&C this Friday morning 10th May starting at 8am.

There will be bacon and egg rolls, and tea and coffee available.

Please join us to help celebrate all the wonderful women in our lives!



Our Gathering will follow straight after the Mother's Day breakfast, starting at an earlier time of 9.15am.

The Gathering will include the presentation of leadership badges to the Yr 6 students.

All families are welcome to join us at the Gathering.



Our Book Fair is running this week and there are still plenty of amazing books for students to choose from.

The Book Fair will be open each morning from 8.30am–8.50am and at lunch time from 1.20pm–1.40pm.

On Friday the Book Fair will be open straight after Gathering instead of at lunch time.





## Dental Clinic Visit

This week student's received dental notes for a Dental Clinic that will be visiting Newling School.

Please return these notes to school by this Friday 10th May if you want your child to attend.

You can also scan this QR code and complete the form online by Friday 10th May.



Scan me to register for the school dentist

Covered by Medicare CDBS for eligible students otherwise all health funds are accepted!



Good for kids  
good for life



### Screen Free Week

Spending time on screens can be an obstacle for kids who need more active and creative outlets for development.

Get involved in the global event during the first week of May and step away from screens for recreation.

Anyone can take part! Choose what screens you could turn off for your family and set a goal to achieve i.e. turn it off for 1 hour, a day or the whole week.

During this time, you could try some other activities like:

- 🏃 Getting outside and being active
- 🚲 Riding your bike
- 💃 Dancing
- 🏈 Playing outdoor games
- 🚶 Going for a walk



Source: Screen Free Week ([www.screenfree.org](http://www.screenfree.org))

Developed by Hunter New England LHD



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<https://goodforkids.nsw.gov.au>



Good for Kids acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land that we live and work on as the first people of this country, and pay our respects to Elders past and present.

## Nutrition Snippet

### BUILD A LUNCH BOX

A healthy lunch box contains foods from the 5 food groups.



Try our [interactive lunch box builder!](#)

It's a fun online tool that will help you and your kids plan and pack a healthy lunch box with foods they like.

For this and more visit:

[healthylunchbox.com.au](http://healthylunchbox.com.au)



Cancer Council  
Healthy Lunch Box

95% = 47 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR  
8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days

90% = 95 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR  
16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 day

85% = 142 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR  
24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days

80% = 190 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR  
32 days in total or 6 weeks and 2 days

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

WHAT DO YOUR ATTENDANCE FIGURES ACTUALLY MEAN?

**BE SMART BE THERE!**

Percentages based on 190 academic days

## May Birthdays

Tamilyka

Kalani

Jocelyn

Austin

Zaliah

Lauren

Isabella S

Jay-ziah

Jeremiah

Talarah

Savanna

Jezeiah

Adelaide

Rupert

Phoebe



## Attendance Awards

Each Monday we will be having a draw for any students' who had 100% attendance in the previous week. Two students will be randomly selected from our spinning wheel, and they will get to choose a book prize to keep.



**Congratulations to our week 1 winners Jamiah and Talarah.**

**Congratulations to our week 2 winners Ezra and Lincoln H.**

We are encouraging students to aim high– they need to be in it to win it!



**Please ensure your child brings a labelled water bottle to school each day.**

**A piece of fruit or veg is also needed each day for 'Crunch'n'Sip'.**



## Newling Public School

### **50 Year Anniversary Celebrations**

**Please scan the QR code and follow the prompts to be added to the mailing list to be updated on all activities related to this event.**





# COMMUNITY NOTICES



**O'CONNOR**  
**CATHOLIC COLLEGE**  
*Armidale*

## YEAR 6 STEP DAY

*STAGE THREE ENRICHMENT  
PROGRAM*

THURSDAY 13TH JUNE 2024 10AM - 2PM  
MORNING TEA AND LUNCH PROVIDED  
CONTACT THE COLLEGE FOR MORE  
INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER

P: 6772 1666  
E: OCCADMIN@ARM.CATHOLIC.EDU.AU



## ACTIVE KIDS ARE HEALTHY KIDS

### JOIN US FRIDAY 10 MAY 2024



**Until they're ten, children must always hold  
an adult's hand when crossing the road**

WALK.COM.AU





## AFTER SCHOOL VISUAL ART CLASSES 2024

Learn about the amazing and exciting world of the visual arts.  
Classes start on Wednesday the 8th of May for 9 weeks duration

**Where:** Art studio in town, Armidale  
(email/phone for address)

**Cost:** \$170 (includes good quality art materials)

**PHONE:** 0498 560 973

**EMAIL:** [dom.nsw@protonmail.com](mailto:dom.nsw@protonmail.com)

**Time:** Wednesdays 4 - 5.30 for 9 weeks

- Creative Kids provider
- Current working with children checks
- Registration with Holistic Therapists Australia
- Public liability insurance
- NESA registered teacher and Art Therapist



- All Visual Art 2D and 3D mediums and techniques are taught
- Design principles while utilising imagination and free thinking to encourage self-expression and a love of exploration of the individual creative process.
- For older learners a deeper concentration on development of individual technique and creative risk taking enabling less fear and more confidence.



# Fun and Friendship Evening 2

Friday 10 May, from 4 pm  
Curtis Park



## FREE EVENT, ALL WELCOME !

young and old and in-between!

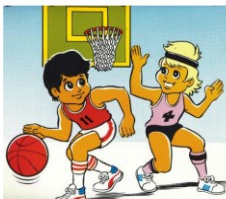
Sponsored by ANTA Armidale,  
Minimbah Aboriginal School and  
Armajun Aboriginal Health Service

For more information: Gaynor McGrath, text 0408 923 757

## Armidale Basketball Association

### Minibasketball

Term 2 2024



Minibasketball games for Primary School children

#### GAMES

4pm Mondays for Years 3 & 4  
5pm Mondays for Years 5 & 6

Back at The Den!! Armidale Secondary College (Butler Street South)

- Sessions will commence on Monday 6 May - 1 July (8 weeks, no ball on June long weekend)
- Contact [Armball@bigpond.com](mailto:Armball@bigpond.com) to get put on the email list for more information.
- Players can register and pay term fees through the ABA website - [armidale.basketball.net.au](http://armidale.basketball.net.au)
- Look for the Registration button with our Lion logo.
- No team required, just register and pay game fees online and turn up ready to play
- Uniforms supplied
- Training sessions for rookies at 10-11am Sundays
- For new players who wish to access the personalised kit which includes a ball, singlet and term fees for \$100, you can do your initial one-off term registration through [Aussiehoops.basketball](http://Aussiehoops.basketball). It is open to all primary school aged players. This site is run by Basketball Australia and is different to the NSW Basketball registration procedure which is run through the ABA website.

Annual Registration \$50 (8-11yrs) or \$65 (12-17yrs)  
Plus Term game fees are \$55

Active Kids Vouchers can be used to offset online payments.  
Need info on Active Kids Vouchers?? Check it out [HERE](#)

Please note: Players can redeem their AKV for basketball and Aussie Hoops.

Judy Monaghan  
[Armball@bigpond.com](mailto:Armball@bigpond.com)

Minibasketball Coordinator  
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## Armidale Basketball Association

### 2024 Term 2 Ford Aussie Hoops

Want to learn great ball skills?

Register online and turn up to the Ford Aussie Hoops session for rookie players 5-10 years

10-11am Sundays from 5 May to 30 June (8 weeks as no game on June long weekend)

Returning to 'The Den' at Armidale Secondary College via gate 3 (Butler Street South)

Both new and returning players should register online at <https://aussiehoops.basketball/>. At the home page, click on 'Find your state'; enter 2350 in the postcode Search box, then click on the location 'Armidale Secondary College'. This takes you to the registration page. The cost for new players is \$100 for the 8-week term (includes a basketball kit with singlet, ball and term fees) while returning players will pay \$65 (no kit). Other merchandise is available for purchase, but they cannot be paid for by AKVs.

Aussie Hoops is Basketball Australia's official junior game development program for children in primary school. They learn basketball in a structured, inclusive and fun environment, developing fitness, skills and an understanding of the sport. The Aussie Hoops program aims to give children the basic skills they need to progress to and enjoy playing actual games.

Armidale Basketball is an Active Kids Provider so you can use the Active Kids Vouchers to help pay for the activity. Carefully follow the directions when registering your child (don't forget to press the Validate button after you put in the voucher number). Returning players can hand in their AKV to the office as payment (if preferred). If you have any concerns, contact Judy. Forget your email? Contact Judy. Don't know about Active Kids Vouchers?? Check out the link: [ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS NSW](#)

Interested in lending a hand for Aussie Hoops in coaching or administration? We need many hands to help spread the load. We are looking for a person to coordinate Aussie Hoops and the program so Mark can coach. Anyone can learn to do specific job with some great training available. We are also encouraging parents and older siblings to learn how to coach via free online coaching course provided by Basketball Australia. Go to the [Aussiehoops.basketball](http://Aussiehoops.basketball) website and search through the 'Parent' section of the website to get to the coaching course.

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